

REMARKS

Claims 29, 30, 41 and 42 are pending in this application. Claims 49 and 50 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Claim 29 is independent. Claim 29 has been amended for formal reasons unrelated to patentability. No change in scope is either intended or believed effected by this latter amendment.

✓ Claim 29 has been objected to by the Examiner, who has requested that the phrase “a energization” (1st occurrence on line 16) be replaced with --an activation-- .

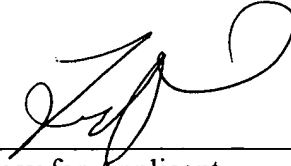
However, Applicant respectfully traverses this objection for the following reasons.

Support for the energization processing step recited in Claim 29 is found in the specification as originally filed, at least at page 20, lines 9-14. See, *e.g.*, the electrification forming step for forming an electron-emitting portion of an electroconductive film, described at page 20, lines 14-15. This step is not the same as the “activation step” which is performed additionally after the electrification forming step, as described at page 20, lines 14-15 of the specification. Therefore, it is believed that the use of the word “energization” rather than “activation” is appropriate. Nonetheless, the word “a” has been replaced with --an--, to correct grammar in the relevant clause of Claim 29.

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the objection to Claim 29 has been obviated, and its withdrawal is therefore respectfully requested. Favorable consideration and early passage to issue of this application are requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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